



Nevada Division of State Parks

Department of Conservation and
Natural Resources



VALLEY OF FIRE STATE PARK INTERPRETIVE PROGRAMS FALL 2003

Valley of Fire is a 36,000-acre park located 10 miles from Lake Mead. Some of the popular activities include camping, picnicking, hiking, and photography. Valley of Fire is located 55 miles northeast of Las Vegas via Interstate 15 at Exit # 75. The park is also accessible by Lake Mead via Northshore Road. The Visitor's Center is open from 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. daily.

Various local art work is displayed at the Visitor's Center year round. Please contact the park office at (702) 397-2088 for more information.

An informational video of the park is shown every 8 minutes at the Visitor's Center. All programs are free, but the park entrance fee is \$5.00 per vehicle.

Saturday, August 30, 2003

10:00 a.m.....Interpretive Talk.....**Venomous Critters**

Do you wish to learn more about two types of venomous wildlife found in the Valley of Fire? Join Park Ranger Jennifer Finlen at the Mouse's Tank Picnic Area to discover some of the fascinating details regarding the rattlesnakes and Gila Monsters native to the area.

Saturday, September 13, 2003

9:30 a.m.....Nature Hike.....**Roam the Dome**

This intermediate hike will amaze you with its slot canyon and remnants of an old movie set. Meet Park Ranger Jennifer Finlen at the White Domes trailhead for the one and one half-mile hike through the northern part of the park. Not recommended for children under 7 years old. Bring water and sturdy hiking shoes.

Saturday, September 27, 2003

9:30 a.m.....Interpretive Talk.....**Buzz Tails**

Are you interested in learning about the rattlesnakes found in the Valley of Fire and in Southern Nevada? Then join Park Aide Thomas Fitzsimmons at the Atlatl Rock Picnic area for a 45 minute presentation and discussion on these amazing reptiles.

Saturday, October 4, 2003

1:00 p.m.....Interpretive Talk.....**Survival of the Smartest**

Are you prepared to face the unexpected emergency- being stranded or lost in the desert? Come to the Seven Sister Picnic Area to learn more about various desert survival techniques and preparation. Park Ranger Jennifer Finlen will present an informative talk on this important topic.

Sunday, October 5, 2003

9:30 a.m.....Nature Hike.....**Somewhere over the Rainbow Vista**

Park Ranger Technician Heidi Melick will take you on a guided walk to the Fire Canyon Overlook. Meet at the Rainbow Vista parking lot for this 1 ¾ mile hike in the sand. Not recommended for children under 7 years old.

Saturday, October 11, 2003

10:00 a.m.....Interpretive Talk.....**Cabin Commotion**

Come see what all the commotion is about! Join Park Aid Robyn Zimmerman at the Cabins to learn when, why, and how the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) built these unique structures in the Valley of Fire. Also learn about the CCC's influence on a few other Southern Nevada treasures.

Saturday, October 18, 2003

9:00 a.m.....Interpretive Talk.....**Delicious Dutch Oven - Dinners in the Desert**

Come and see different ways to cook with a Dutch Oven. Learn the in's and out's of purchasing, cleaning, storage, and history of the Dutch Oven by a seasoned chef. Meet at
Atlatl Rock Picnic Area.

Sunday, October 19, 2003

10:00 a.m.....Interpretive Talk.....**Sea and Sand**

Have you ever wondered why the rocks are red? Do you want to know why there are holes in the rocks? Park Ranger Jennifer Finlen will answer these questions and more at the Seven Sisters Picnic Area.

Sunday, October 25, 2003

10:00 a.m.....Interpretive Talk.....**Coyote Crazy**

Meet at Atlatl Rock Picnic Area for this 45-minute program on coyotes. Park Aide Thomas Fitzsimmons will discuss the daily lives of coyotes and how they go about searching for food and shelter.

Saturday, November 1, 2003

1:00 p.m.....Interpretive Talk.....**Petroglyph Puzzle**

Rock art is one of the main attractions at Valley of Fire State Park. Find out who made them and why. Join Park Aide Julie Tanner to discover possible meanings of these mysterious symbols. Meet at Atlatl Rock Picnic Area for this 45-minute program.

Saturday, November 8, 2003

10:30 a.m.....Interpretive Talk.....**Without a Trace**

Are you interested in learning more about efficient camping practices and outdoor ethics? Meet Park Ranger Jennifer Finlen at the Atlatl Rock Campground (across from Campsite #4) to hear an insightful and informative presentation on the Leave No Trace Camping Principles of Outdoor Ethics.

Saturday, November 15, 2003

9:00 a.m.....Nature Hike.....**Who Passed Here Last Night?**

Would you like to learn more about animal tracks? Join park staff on a hike as we search for the traces of life in the desert washes. Meet at the Visitor's Center and then we will caravan to the site. Please no pets.

Sunday, November 16, 2003

10:00 a.m.....Nature Hike.....**Mouse's House**

Come join us for an easy half mile round trip hike down Mouse's Tank. We will be discussing a main type of communication that the Native American's used and learn how this trail got its name. Meet Park Aide Julie Tanner at the Mouse's Tank trailhead.

Friday, November 28, 2003

10:30 a.m.....Nature Hike.....**Arrowhead Adventure**

Excellent photographic opportunities of Lake Mead await you on this 1 ½ mile moderate hike. You will even come across a prop used in a popular movie. Meet Park Ranger Technician Heidi Melick at the east entrance parking lot. Not recommended for children under 7 years old.
